House Resolution No. 3049

Whereas, Patrick Kennedy of St. Charles, Missouri, recently received top honors for excellence in competition during the 2008 International DECA Career Development Conference held in Atlanta, Georgia; and

Whereas, one of seventeen Missouri high school students to receive international recognition, Patrick Kennedy put forth a tremendous degree of effort while competing with thirteen thousand of the best and brightest high school marketing students from across the United States and Canada; and

Whereas, DECA's internationally recognized program of competitive events uses interviews, tests, role-plays, and written project reports to evaluate marketing, management, and entrepreneurship skills identified by the nation's marketing, management and entrepreneurship industry as essential for success in the global industry of today; and

Whereas, Missouri marketing and cooperative education's co-curricular philosophy closely integrates classroom instruction, DECA, and work-based experiences allowing students opportunities to apply classroom knowledge in realistic, problem-based settings; and

Whereas, an outstanding student at Francis Howell Central High School in St. Charles where he has been named National Merit Finalist, School Board Representative, Wrestling State Medalist, President of International Club and President of Medical Club, Patrick Kennedy received Second place in the Food Services Marketing Series event; and

Whereas, Patrick Kennedy holds local, state, and international DECA membership and takes pride in the enviable list of achievements he has acquired at Francis Howell Central High School as a member of Wrestling, International Club, National Honor Society, Character Education, Medical Club, and Fellowship of Christian Athletes; and

Whereas, Patrick Kennedy has achieved his every ambition with the love, support, and encouragement he has continually received from his proud and loving parents Patrick and Nancy Kennedy, and his siblings, Sean and Ryan Kennedy:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join together with the staff and student body at Francis Howell Central High School in extending our most hearty congratulations to Patrick Kennedy at this proud moment of well-deserved distinction, and in wishing him only the very best of success in all his future endeavors; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Patrick Kennedy, as he is honored at the Missouri Governor's Mansion in Jefferson City on May 23, 2008.

Offered by

Representative Joe Smith District No. 14

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3049, adopted May 14, 2008.